

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

I live in probably the most diverse city in the US, and yet there seems to be less choice, fewer options, than there was even ten years ago. The situation is far worse outside of New York. Local news is almost nonexistent, except for scandal coverage. With news relegated to being "entertainment," there is no incentive to really cover substantive issues. I rely on reading international papers on the Internet, and listen to the BBC and other international radio stations on my cable modem, just so that I can find out what's going on in the world - it is ridiculous that I have to do so.